



Toorak Uniting Church Newsletter

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Sunday services 9:00 & 10:15am

Food for Friends 2021

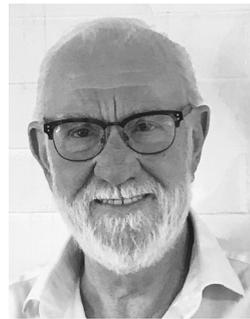
Food for Friends 2021 Many thanks to those who have already contributed to this year's appeal. To date we have raised \$19,070 for which we are most grateful. These funds will be used to provide food for the various agencies supported by St. Peter's, St John's and Toorak Uniting Churches next year. Anyone who would still like to contribute to the appeal can do so - bank details are as follows:

CBA Toorak - Toorak Ecumenical Fund

BSB 063 177 Account No 1002 6147 (Note: no receipts can be issued)

Can you help with baking?

Together with the Nine Lessons and Carols service this Sunday the 19 December, we are pleased to be finally having the opportunity to celebrate Chris Page's ministry at TUC with a special morning tea! Any offers of help with baking, both sweet or savoury, can be made to Jaki 0499 442 347 or via church office.



Sammy Stamp

Well, I'm sure Sammy, surviving COVID, helps us all feel life is normal again. As usual, we look forward to collecting any used stamps (on or off envelopes) during February. Please leave them at the back of the church; there will possibly be a basket there for them. Hopefully you will remember that the central Church office uses the money from the stamp sales for various Uniting Church projects. I feel this is the easiest (and cheapest) way to support our church! Thanking you all in anticipation, *June De Vere*.



Advent and Christmas Celebrations at Toorak Uniting Church

This Sunday, 19 December, the congregations will come together at the 10:15am service to celebrate the Nine Lessons and Carols Service. On Christmas Eve at 8pm, the music-worship celebration will see the full TUC choir and soloists joined by the Emjodore String Quartet and Issie Brown (flute) performing Richard Shephard's A Christmas Garland on "Greensleeves" and other beloved Christmas music. The Emjodore String Quartet will treat our congregation to the complete String Quartet in C minor by Luigi Boccherini as Prelude.

Vale Karin Mackinnon

Karin had a long association with the Toorak Uniting Church including marrying Ian Dejardin Mackinnon in 1948. Their four children attended Sunday School here. Ian and Karin were regular attendees and became Elders. Karin also provided casseroles and drove for the John McCrae Centre for a number of years. In her latter years she then attended the Centre.



Karin Mackinnon (nee Allen) was born in 1922 – the youngest of 3 children to Mervyn and Stanley Allen. Karin spent the first 8 years at “Durrol” Mt Macedon, the property her parents bought in 1919 to escape the Spanish Flu epidemic.

Her early schooling was by governesses with her sister Beverly and brother Richard. She then attended St Catherine’s to complete her education. During the war years she worked tirelessly for the Red Cross.

Karin led a rich and selfless life always thinking of others. She was involved on numerous charity committees for many years and gave freely of her time. Karin was passionate about animals especially dogs, horses and chooks. Someone once commented when they died they would like to come back as one of Mrs Mackinnon’s chooks! She spent much of her time at her beloved “Durrol” which sadly burnt down in 2018 forcing her to move to Arcare, East Malvern and then to the Oaks, Gisborne. This move enabled Karin to visit and spend time at the rebuilt “Durrol”. She will be greatly missed by her four children, Kenneth, Andrew, Richard and Katrina, and their spouses Jan, Adriana and Anthony, seven grandchildren and 12 great grand children.

A life well lived.

December Diary Dates

Sun	19 Dec	10:15am	Nine Lessons and Carols <i>Followed by morning tea for Rev. Dr Christopher Page</i>	Rev. P Whitaker
Sun	24 Dec	6.00pm	Family Carols	Courtyard
Fri	24 Dec	8:00pm	Christmas Eve	Rev. P Whitaker
Sat	25 Dec	10:15am	Christmas Day	Rev. J Edwards
Sun	26 Dec	10:15am	Morning Worship	Rev. J Edwards

Summer Sundays

All services in January will start at 10.15am

Summer Office Hours

Closed:

Midday 24 December 2021 to 18 January 2022

Partially Open:

Tuesdays & Thursdays only 18 to 31 January 2022

Fully Open:

Monday to Friday from 1 February 2022